

Pelagic Traces

A relatively unexamined animal-human encounter occurs in the marine environment. For coastal towns and cities, the ubiquity of the boat – yachts, speed boats, fishing boats and the more humble boats such as the tinnie – reflects the importance of the experience of the ocean environment to us on many levels including economic, social, recreational and also aesthetically. However, we are becoming increasingly aware of the fragility and vulnerability of the marine environment to such factors as global warming and pollution caused by industries and activities operating on both land and at sea. Pelagic Traces considers the interaction between boat-based human activities and marine life, which is unseen below.

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